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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(d), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after a Final Office Action and is accompanied by a fee of \$180.00 as specified under § 1.17(p) and a certification as specified under § 1.97(e).

Each document listed in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from the Japanese Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application, and this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of that communication.

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Copies of the listed foreign documents are attached. FC: 1886

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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The following is a concise statement of relevance of the non-English language documents.

- 1. An English Abstract of JP 2001-265361 is enclosed.
- 2. An English Abstract of JP 2001-195509 is enclosed.
- 3. An English Abstract of JP 2002-141895 is enclosed.
- 4. An English Abstract of JP 11-213553 is enclosed.

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